

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI) : (a) to (c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Oil Fields

2741. SHRI SUSHIL CHANDRA : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether there was three fires in the oil fields and foreign experts were employed to extinguish the fires;

(b) the number of foreign experts obtained for each of the fire;

(c) the expenditure incurred on paying these experts in each fire;

(d) whether India propose to develop its own capability to extinguish such fires; and

(e) the steps taken so far in that direction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU) : (a) In the last three years there were three incidents of fire in the wells of ONGC, viz., Pasarlupudi and Mandapeta in Andhra Pradesh and Well No. BRBE in Assam. One well of Oil India Limited also caught fire in Kathaloni, Assam. Foreign experts were called to provide assistance to extinguish the fire in two wells of ONGC in Andhra Pradesh and one well of OIL in Assam.

(b) and (c) The particulars are given below :

	Location	No. of Experts called	Expenditure
(i)	Pasarlupudi (ONGC)	13	Rs. 274.10 lakhs
(ii)	Mandapeta (ONGC) (prov.)	3	Rs. 67.50 Lakhs
(iii)	Kathaloni (OIL)	2	US\$ 84,000/-

(d) and (e) Efforts have been made by ONGC to organise "Crisis Management Teams" with its available infrastructure and manpower in all the regions. Oil India Limited has its own Fire Service Department at its field Headquarters in Duliajan, which is equipped with necessary firefighting equipment required for normal fires in the oil fields. However, the services of world renowned experts are requisitioned as and when necessary since control of blow out/fire in oil wells is a highly specialised job.

Payment Scheme

2742. SHRI SULTAN SALAHUDDIN OWAISI :

SHRI S.K. KARVENDHAN :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the number of works going on in type I and II

Government quarters in Kidwai Nagar, R.K. Puram and Panchkua Road under the 10% payment scheme during the current financial year;

(b) the number of allottees opted for this scheme in Type I, Kidwai Nagar for breaking chimneys and providing shelf in the Kitchen;

(c) the number of allottees who opted for this but still waiting to get the work done;

(d) the reasons for delay and the time by which the work in all the quarters who opted for this will be completed;

(e) whether any complaints have been received in this regard; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU) : (a) The types of works in progress in Government quarters Type I and II in Kidwai Nagar, R.K. Puram and Panchkua Road under the 10% payment scheme during the current financial year are given in the Statement attached.

(b) 52 allottees opted for breaking of chimneys and 65 allottees opted for providing gas slab in kitchen.

(c) All the work mentioned in (b) above have been completed excepting the work of gas slab which is in progress in 15 Type I quarters.

(d) The pending work as mentioned in (c) above will be completed during 1997-98 depending upon the availability of funds.

(e) No, Sir.

(f) Does not arise.

Statement

List of Works/Item Going on

1. Providing Iron Gate.
2. Providing Sink.
3. Providing Wash Basin.
4. Providing Looking Mirror.
5. Providing Glass Shelf.
6. Providing Towel Rail.
7. Providing Kota Stone slab and Breaking Chimney.
8. Providing Glazed Tiles.
9. Providing Barbed Wire Fencing.
10. Covering of front/back varandah.
11. Providing Loft Tank.